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NEW TOWN GOVERNMENT MOVES AHEAD

Children's Bazaar Deserves Support

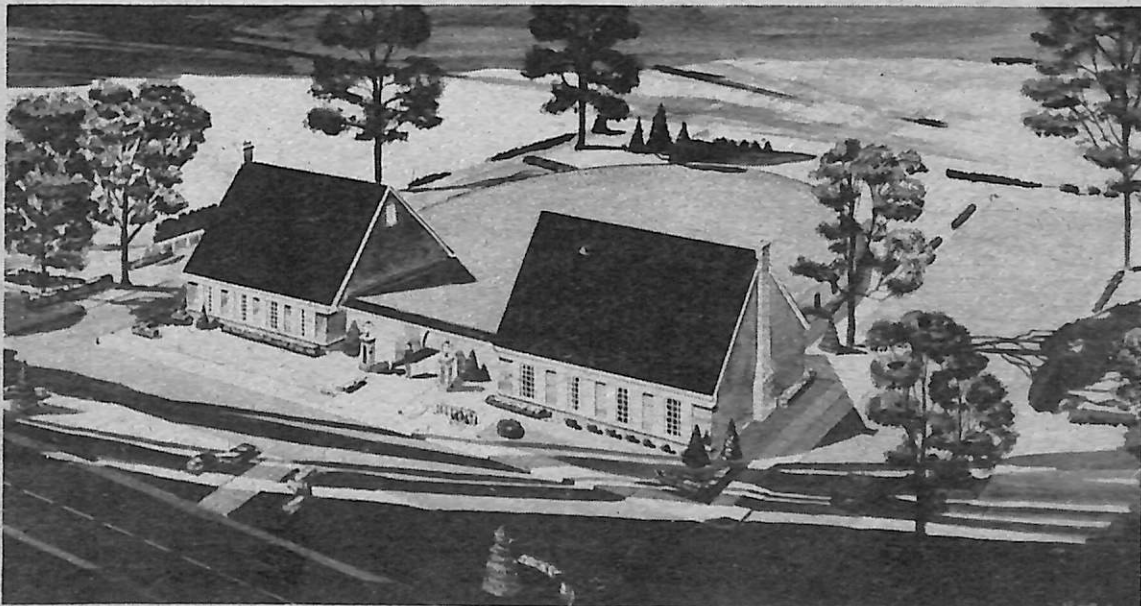


The BIG BAZAAR is almost here. Friday and Saturday after Thanksgiving at the Agawam Senior High School there will be an outstanding display of many hundreds of items, some excellent for immediate use — some just right for Christmas presents — others that can continue to grace the household in one way or another through the years to come. It will be a bazaar long to be remembered — it will be a bazaar such as has never been held in the Connecticut Valley. And the prices will be right for everything must be sold — and the entire proceeds given to the Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children.

Whoever heard of two bands at a Bazaar. Well, two of the very well-known Shrine bands will be there for concerts which are certain to please everyone. Whoever heard of clowns at a bazaar? But there will be clowns up and down the halls and in the cafeteria — doing tricks now and then that will bring laughter to the old as well as to the young. Whoever heard of a Governor's table at a bazaar. But there will be one at this bazaar for 45 Governors of these United States who have sent things that will help raise money for the crippled children at Shriner's Hospital. Yes sir, these are all firsts for any bazaar in this area — that's why everyone should come — to see — to hear — to buy — and to give.

So plan to be there — and bring your own gift — something baked — something made — something good you've never used — something for these little children. You'll be so glad you did. And bring enough money so you can do your Christmas shopping early — at least part of it. Remember Friday after Thanksgiving from 12 noon — and Saturday from 10 a.m. You can make this one of the best days for your family that they have had in a long time. Come, at least, for the sake of a good cause sponsored by so many of our Agawam organizations.

New Library Proposed For Feeding Hills



Proposed Giles W. Halladay Memorial Library presented for action to the Agawam Town Council by the Library Buildings Study

COUNCIL-MANAGER PLAN PASSES CRUCIAL PERIOD

EDITORIAL

After nearly a year of operation of the Town Government under the new charter, it is possible to evaluate the results to a certain extent.

The charter placed the responsibility for the administration of practically all town affairs in the hands of a professional Administrator, the Town Manager. The legislative process, formerly in the hands of the 180 member town meeting is now the responsibility of the 15 member Town Council.

The past 10 months has seen some internal bickering within the Town Council, primarily in attempts to challenge the authority of the Town Manager and these efforts could be assessed as a desire by some Council members to impose their will upon the administrative functions of the Manager.

The charter, having been written by others and accepted by the voters, cannot be re-written by the Council by legislative action or by attempts to restrict or infringe upon the mandate given under the charter to the administrative branch of the government.

The "shakedown cruise" is now over and we believe that the new system is well on its way to being successful.

The most difficult period for the Council and Manager has passed and the conduct of both has been exposed to public scrutiny, much more so than that of the town meeting or Board of Selectmen.

It is a credit to both the Council and Manager that a fairly close harmony existed during a real difficult period.

The adoption by the Council of its rules and regulations of procedure was by no means a minor task.

The adoption of an 18 month budget totalling 13½ million dollars required long hours and hard work by both the Manager, his staff and the Council.

The Council's approval to hire a planning consultant to conduct a basic master plan study, review, update subdivision ordinances and site plan regulations and to recommend other subdivision regulations that might be needed, is a firm and progressive step in an attempt to control in some manner the town's present dilemma of rapid growth.

A long overdue study of the town's health department and its problems has pointed out the inadequacies that have prevailed in the department and its reorganization should have a high priority for definite action by the town government.

A new Board of Health has already assumed its duties with a doctor as one of its members, an advantageous improvement over the old system of the Board of Selectmen attempting to perform the duties of the Board of Health, a function for which they were not qualified.

The Council did approve the creation of a politically independent Liquor Licensing Commission, and was justly opposed to continuing a Police and Fire Commission, which in the majority opinion would have added an obstruction to the Town Manager's chain of command.

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EDITORIAL

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The Town Manager's change in the archaic system of budget preparation is a tremendous improvement. The new format now requires from departments, detailed information and planning of work to be accomplished, the development of cost figures for projects and schedules of work to be undertaken.

The use of a new computer system under the guidance of the Town Treasurer, a cooperative effort with the school department, has reduced the payroll preparation time in half and has substantially reduced time in preparation and mailing of tax and water bills.

The establishment of a centralized purchasing procedure has placed the town in a position of controlling expenditures by insuring that they are within the original budget intentions. Prior to this, each department head was his own purchasing agent. For example, the average cost of envelopes was \$17.85 per thousand, it is now \$6.95 per thousand. A small item, but one of many.

The reorganization of the town's Planning Board eliminated possible conflict of interest by its members.

Ahead, lies the development of long-range land use and capital improvement programs, along with reorganization of the various departments and agencies within the town, including the evaluation of the Police department activities and structure.

Credit is due the Town Council for its awareness of the problems facing the town and its courage to take positive action for their resolution. There is no doubt that the Council members are by far better informed on public matters than members of the Town Meeting were.

The day-to-day activities of the Town Manager is proving out the fact that there is no substitute for full-time professional management of the administrative affairs of the town.

In the past year, the Council and Manager have gone a long way in firmly establishing the new system of town government in spite of certain harassments by die-hard opponents of the charter plan.

Continued mutual efforts by both branches of government can further establish the spirit of cooperation necessary to carry out the people's business and to dispell any fears about the new system that might exist in the minds of some.

Conte Accuses Administration Of Footdragging On Fuel Shortage

WASHINGTON, D.C., November 1, 1973 — U.S. Rep. Silvio O. Conte, R-Mass., who predicts the shortage of home heating oil will be between 15 and 25 percent this winter, today accused the Administration of "footdragging" and being "totally unprepared to manage the mandatory fuel allocation program for heating oils."

The Administration's program went into effect today.

Conte charged that the White House has been "grossly negligent" for allowing the program to become effective before it asked Congress for money to fund it.

"The mess this program is in already is mind-boggling. I don't see any help from the Federal Office of Oil and Gas until after January 1st."

Conte said the Washington headquarters of the Office of Oil and Gas was so understaffed that "mail is lying around for three days before it gets opened."

"The three men in the Boston Regional Office spend all of their day on the phone taking complaints that average 250 a day. They don't have any time to help people who need emergency assistance."

"The Office of Oil and Gas

doesn't have the money to print forms or hire new staff members," Conte said.

"Most of the professionals now working for this office are borrowed from other federal agencies. They lack experience and are waiting for the time they can get back to their usual jobs."

"Worst of all, there's a lack of leadership and control over this program. Next week, Interior Secretary Morton will announce that a Navy officer, Vice Admiral Eli Reich, will be appointed to command the allocation program. But I've learned that the Admiral is having trouble getting his retirement in order and that's a further delay."

Conte said he is contacting Congresswoman Julia Butler Hansen, chairman of the House Interior Appropriations Subcommittee, before whom the appropriations request will come, to urge expedited treatment for this bill.

"I asked for a mandatory program in May," said Conte. "The Administration published the regulations in August. They've had half a year to plan for this. This lack of preparation is shocking, and for a lot of people it could be disastrous."

The Bulletin Board

BULLETIN BOARD INFORMATION COMPILED BY AGAWAM CITIZENS ORGANIZATION & JAYCEE-ETTS

FOR DETAILS PHONE 786-6410

November 16: Sacred Heart Church Bazaar. Friday 6:00-9:00 p.m. Saturday 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Handmade items, food, toys, decorations. Refreshments served.

November 17: Jingle Valley Fair — Agawam Baptist Church — 760 Main St. 10:00-6:00 p.m. Handmade items, home-baked foods — candy, etc. Snack bar open 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Rigatoni and meat sauce dinner 5:00-6:00 p.m. \$1.75 adults — children 99¢.

November 17: Mulligan stew supper sponsored by the LOOM Lodge #1935. 6:00 p.m. — \$2.75 per person — hobo garb or pay a fine.

November 17: Holly Berry Bazaar to be held at the Agawam Congregational Church from 10 to 7.

November 17: Monte Carlo Night sponsored by the Agawam Jaycees to be held at the Polish-American Club in Feeding Hills. Time is 8:00 and price \$2.

November 18: Pres. John F. Kennedy Council K of C Communion breakfast at St. John's Parish Center following the 8:00 a.m. mass, celebrated by Fr. Richard Runte, newly appointed chaplain of the council. All members and friends assemble in the church hall at 7:45 a.m.

November 19: Catholic Women's Club annual Communion Smorgasbord supper after 6:30 p.m. mass. Members and guest — Social Hall at St. John the Evangelist Church. Guest speaker will be Sr. Miriam Jajimy, program director of the Marian Retreat Center in Holyoke.

November 20: Youth night at SPAN to be held at the SPAN Center in Feeding Hills center from 7 to 9. This is a continuous

program with follow-up dates listed below.

November 23-24: Bazaar for children to be held at the Agawam High School, Friday from noon to 10 and Saturday from 10 to 10. This bazaar is for the benefit of Shriner's Hospital with many local groups participating.

November 24: Women's Auxiliary of the Italian Sporting Club — Cooper St. will hold their annual smorgasbord on Saturday, Nov. 24, from 6-8 p.m. Adults \$3.25 — children \$2.25.

November 27: Youth night at SPAN — for further information see Nov. 20.

November 28: The Agawam Citizens Organization specially invites new 1974 members and guests to attend its annual meeting to be held at the Capt. Charles Leonard House, Main St., Agawam at 7:30 p.m.

November 30: SPAN Theater of Spontaneity to be held at SPAN center in Feeding Hills center from 7 to 9. Youth and adults invited. This is a continuing program with follow-ups listed below.

November 30 & December 1: Christmas Bazaar to be sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary Polish-American Club to be held at the Polish Club in Feeding Hills Saturday from 5 to 9 and Saturday from 10 to 4.

December 1: St. John the Evangelist Church Bazaar to be held at the Parish Center, Saturday from 9:00 a.m. Handmade articles, home-baked goods and more. The snack bar will be open.

December 1: "Oldies But Goodies" Record Hop to be sponsored by the Agawam

Jaycees and to be held at St. Anthony's Hall, Springfield St., Feeding Hills at 8:00. Tickets available at the door. For further information call Gary Hodge at 786-1488.

December 4: Youth night at SPAN. See Nov. 20 for further info.

December 5: "Justice for Juveniles" a program sponsored by the Junior Women's Club to be held at SPAN center at 7:30. A guest speaker will be present. For further info., call Carol Treganowan at 786-1912.

December 7: SPAN Theater of Spontaneity. For further info. see Nov. 30.

December 11: Youth night at SPAN. For further in see Nov. 20.

December 13: Agawam Jaycees meeting to be held at the Senior Center, Main St., Agawam at 8:00. All men ages 18 to 35 are cordially invited to attend.

December 14: SPAN Theater of Spontaneity. For further info. see Nov. 30.

December 18: Youth night at SPAN. For further info. see Nov. 20.

December 22: Adults Christmas party LOOM.

December 23: Children's Christmas party — 2:00 p.m. LOOM at the lodge.

December 27: Agawam Jaycees meeting to be held at the Senior Center, Main St., Agawam at 8:00. All men ages 18 to 35 are cordially invited to attend.

If your club, organization, school or church is interested in listing your activities in this calendar, please call 786-6410 with your list of events for the month of January by Dec. 6. This number has been donated for our use by the SPAN center. SPAN is open daily from 9 to 9 for free counseling for adults and youth.

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'1754' Gravestone Found On Rowley St. Field

by Richard John Curry

It was a large, red sandstone grave marker two feet wide by three feet high and two inches thick! There was no question as to its being of the 18th century since the date was clearly carved: "May ye 9th AD 1754." Young James Valenti of Springfield Street pondered the tombstone he had just found in the fields near Rowley Street in Agawam. Indeed it was a perfect example of early 18th century New England tombstone carving with the winged head atop the crown and the foliation along the sides and base! Even the wording was typically 18th century:

"Here lyes the Body of Hemon Ely son of John & Eunice Ely who died May ye 9th AD 1754 in the 11th year of his age."

The question in James Valenti's mind was how the stone ever came to be lying in this particular field and who was Hemon Ely? After discussing the matter with his parents, Mr. James Valenti, Sr. decided to contact Mrs. Marilyn Curry, president of the Agawam Historical Association. All of this occurred during the early spring of 1973. This was to set off a chain of events that eventually led to weeks of research, telephone calls, map checking and wandering through local cemeteries in search of information pertaining to the identification of the young Hemon Ely and the possible relocation of the tombstone.

The 1835 Map of Agawam revealed that members of the Ely family had lived in the vicinity of Rowley Street at that time, but this was not enough. Visits by the Curry family to the Federal Hill Cemetery further revealed that

members of the Ely family were buried at that site, however, these were not the parents of Hemon Ely!

Finally Marilyn Curry called Mrs. Edith LaFrancis who is presently writing the Agawam Town History. Mrs. LaFrancis, a noted authority on local history, was able to substantiate the parentage of Hemon Ely to be that of Ensign John and Eunice Ely. She further attested to the fact that Ensign Ely's headstone was located at the Union Street Cemetery in West Springfield. Apparently Eunice Ely had been buried in Boston.

Armed with this information, Mrs. Curry contacted Mr. Frank Bauer and Mrs. William Bateman of the Ramapogue Historical Society for the purpose of making necessary arrangements to have the Ely stone properly relocated at the Union Street site. Eventually Mrs. Curry received a telephone call from Mr. Robert McCarroll of the West Springfield Historical Commission and through his efforts it was decided to have the stone returned to the Union Street Cemetery.

Mrs. Curry then sought the assistance of Mr. James Westman, Agawam Town Manager, who immediately authorized the town to remove the tombstone to its apparent and rightful place beside the father's grave. On Halloween evening Mrs. Curry was informed by the Valenti family that the stone had been removed that day.

Unquestionably many people might wonder how the stone of Hemon Ely ever found its way to the Rowley Street area. Perhaps this can best be answered by an excerpt from page 76 of the West Springfield Town History of 1969:

"Early in the 20th century vandals disturbed the stones in the Union Street cemetery. Since the original location of the graves could not be determined, the stones do not now correspond to the actual burial spots and there are many empty places. The names that still can be read represent the earliest settlers in West Springfield: Ashley, Bagg, Barber, Bedurtha, Cooper, Day, Dumbleton, Ely . . ."

Strangely enough the father's stone is almost identical to that of the son. A photograph of Ensign John Ely's tombstone can be found on page 79 of the same text. It is interesting to note that Ensign Ely died on May 22, 1754 just a few days after the death of Hemon.

According to Mrs. Curry, the important aspect of the whole affair lies in the final return of the tombstone to the Union Street site and the plot now assigned to the Ely family. Who can say how many years the stone of Hemon Ely lay unnoticed until now? Mrs. Curry stated: "In any event this is a fine example of the local historical associations working through the efforts of interested citizens in both communities to right an apparent wrong!"

Parents' Night At AHS

The first parents' night of the year at Agawam High School will be held Nov. 27 from 7 to 9 p.m. Parents of students experiencing difficulties may take the opportunity to discuss problems with teachers. Members of the guidance department and administration will also be available for conference. The guidance department will present a program from 6 to 7 in the auditorium.

The program is entitled "Future of High School Graduates in the Seventies — where do they go from here and how do they get there?" Report cards will be distributed Nov. 19 at the high school.

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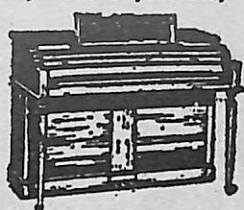
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Campaign Reform Bill

by Rep. Edward W. Connelly

Despite the repeated forecasts relative to prorogation, or ending of the legislative session, the various leaderships in both the House and Senate, in my opinion haven't even come close.

At this time, if anyone bothered to ask, I would feel it necessary to state emphatically that this particular session will run through its entirety and into the 1974 session.

The House Calendars for the past two weeks have been loaded with debate centering on such tidbits as reorganizing of several departments of the secretariat, campaign reform, health care, solid waste disposal, cluster zoning, and many other extremely important issues. After these monumental edifices erected for the Massachusetts taxpayers have been spewed out by the House, they will "stack up" in the illustrious Senate. The Senate, of course, will digest the House action and then improvise, embellish, or scuttle this noble work. This will take up through Turkey time and undoubtedly the stacked up volume which has emanated and has been processed in the House will be subjected to treatment most of December.

It should, therefore, be evident that no way can this session end before the 1974 session starts. I'll stack this judgement up against the press releases issued by leadership which have indicated to date forecasts of late September, early October, late October, early November, Thanksgiving, and even Christmas.

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

A comprehensive bill that would put all state and municipal employees under the same collective bargaining system appeared in the House with no warning that Ways and Means had concocted an entirely new draft.

Many members voted against the bill on the grounds that they had been given no time to study the new draft. This happened after a move to postpone the vote to allow time for study was defeated.

The bill contains a limited right to strike and a section providing binding arbitration which parallels in part a separate bill, just passed by the House, concerning binding arbitration for firemen and policemen.

The word is that there may be substantial changes in the bill before it makes its way through the process.

CAMPAIGN REFORM

The House advanced a bill that significantly tightens the laws regulating the disclosure and limitation of campaign contributions.

With its new definition of "candidate," the bill includes testimonial tickets in reportable contributions. It limits individual contributions to \$1000, requires that contributions over \$100 be by check, and requires reporting of campaign expenditures and contributions before the primary and election rather than 30 days after, as at present.

Lions' Pancake Breakfast

The Agawam Lions Pancake Breakfast will be held 8 to 12 noon Sunday, Nov. 18 at the Middle School formerly the junior high. Donation will be \$1.25 per person.

The proceeds from the breakfast will go into purchasing a radio communication unit for the Agawam police ambulance. This unit will allow the ambulance attendant to radio ahead to the hospital emergency ward describing the symptoms of the injured person. The hospital can be standing by to give the patient immediate service on the arrival of the ambulance, which could mean life or death.

To carry out this life saving maneuver, the Agawam Lions are calling upon all Agawam residents for their support in this fund raising drive by purchasing their tickets where the Agawam police ambulance will be on display November 10 at the Agawam Food Mart, November 18 at the Big "Y". Lion members will be on hand to take their orders. Tickets can be also purchased from any Lion, or at the Middle School cafeteria Sunday, November 18.

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Photo by Bill Keogh

Increased Assets At Community Savings

Increases in assets, deposits, new accounts and mortgage loans were among the items Wayne Alderman, president of Community Savings Bank, reported to trustees at yesterday's quarterly meeting of the bank, held at the Holiday Inn, Holyoke, Massachusetts.

Total assets as of September

30, 1973 amounted to \$295,978,961, a gain of \$16,666,256 over the figure of September 30 last year. The new total is a record high for Community.

Deposit figures of \$261,525,066 reflected a substantial gain of \$15,048,987 over the 1972 total on September 30. The bank's Surplus and Reserve Fund also reflected a new high of \$18,308,175.

Alderman indicated that Community still maintained a more than adequate level of funds available for local mortgages. He stated that as of September 30, mortgage loans had topped last year's high of \$198,585,608 to reach a new peak of \$218,886,157. Other types of loans issued by Community amounted to \$12,027,221.

Mr. Alderman reported that the Savings Bank Life Insurance Department of Community now has a total of 18,723 policies in force with a total dollar value of \$43,532,597.

President Alderman announced that work was now nearing completion on the addition of the Ludlow office, which will extend the services of this office by providing safe deposit boxes and a drive-up window. Also, renovations are progressing on schedule at the Main Street, Springfield office. When completed, this office will offer safe deposit boxes for public use. This will be the first time the Springfield Main Street Office has provided safe deposit boxes for their customers.

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SPORTS



GIRLS' SOFTBALL LEAGUE

The Agawam Athletic Association girls' softball league, which consists of 16 teams and nearly 300 participants, finished its season. Shown on this page are the winners of the first four places in league competition. The girls were provided with uniforms and the organization of the league was handled through the Agawam Athletic Association through the generosity of businesses and individuals from the Town of Agawam. The Parks and Recreation Commission under the direction of Jack Kunasek provided the umpires and kept the fields in excellent condition. Women's Vice-President of the Agawam Athletic Association, Ursula Smith, did a splendid job in organizing and directing the league. She was assisted by Mrs. Barbara Cook.

**SILVER AUTOMOTIVE — 12 WINS 2 LOSSES**

Row 1: Virginia Cassidy, Beverly Edwards, Lisa Kamick, Diana Hardina, Bill Edwards — Coach; Row 2: Shelly Melanson, Laurie Wright, Julie Edwards, Barbara Niemec; Row 3: Pat Edwards — Asst. Coach, Linda Catchepaugh, Laurie Girard, Patty Ritter; Absent: Lisa Fern, Lisa Chagnon.

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Both the statue and the island have changed names. Over the years Americans have shortened her official title to The Statue of Liberty and the island has been officially renamed Liberty Island.

Before the statue was fully assembled, New Yorkers were able to visit Central Park and climb Miss Liberty's arm and stand on the rim of the torch. Today the beacon is held 305 feet toward the heavens and on her pedestal is inscribed:

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The picture was taken about 1900. Advertising on the cab says Consumers Oil Co. Illuminating Oil and Gasoline. Whitney Building, Springfield.

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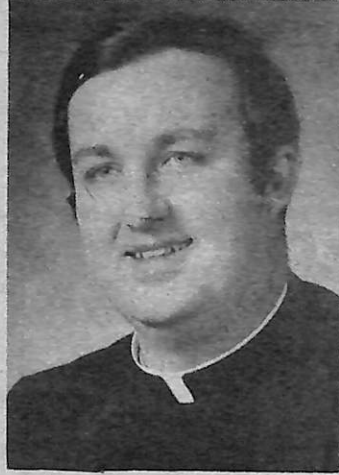
Illuminating oil was used for lamps and lanterns. The first small portable parlor heaters had wicks similar to lamps. There was also a portable camp stove, an oblong metal box-like unit with two burners and flat, not round, wicks. It had a flat top. On a trip to Chester with horse and carriage in 1907, a young mother carried one of these along. When the baby gave out with a lusty hunger cry, she stopped by the side of the road, lit up the burners and set on the saucepan to warm the milk.

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Rev. Richard M. Runte

Bishop Christopher J. Weldon has announced the appointment of Rev. Richard M. Runte as chaplain of Pres. John F. Kennedy Council, K of C Agawam. He is assigned to St. John the Evangelist Church. Rev. Runte was born in Binghamton, New York. He was ordained May 12, 1973 in the Chapel of Mont Marie, Holyoke.

His seminary training consisted of two years at St. John Vianney, Barre, Vt. He next spent five years at Our Lady of Angels, Albany, N.Y. While there, he acquired a BA degree in philosophy and master's degree

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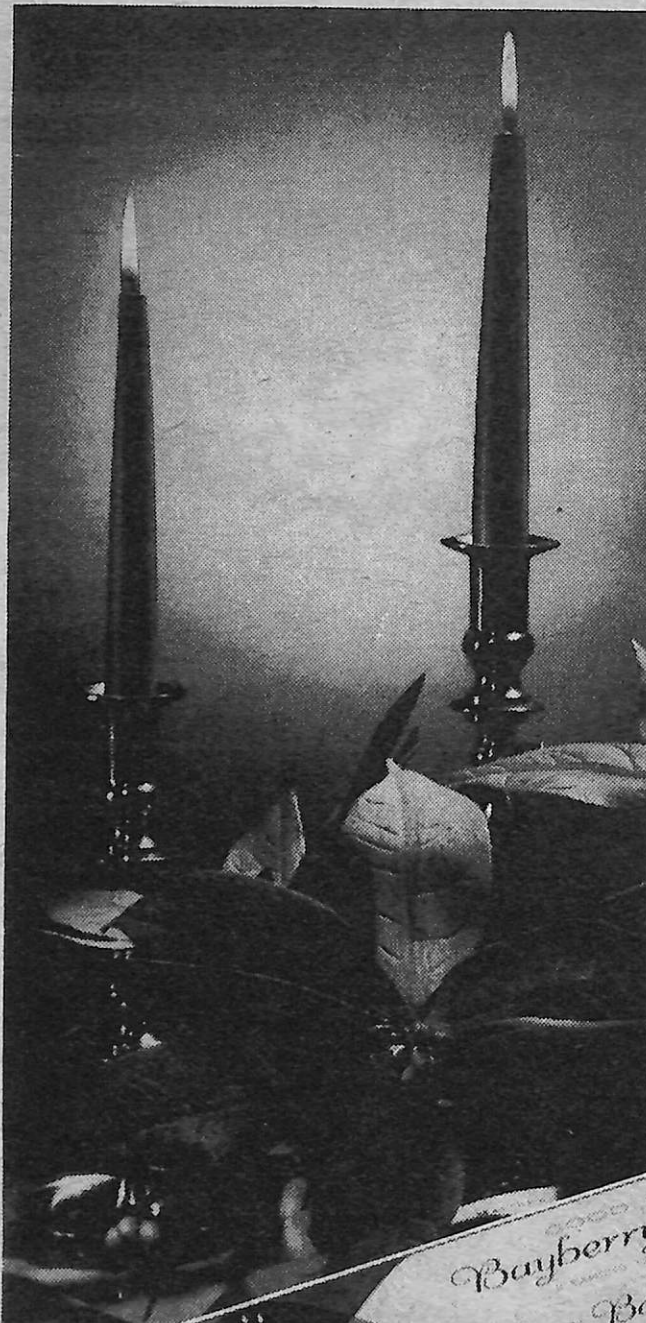
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P.M.
12:00 Stump the Stars
12:30 Beat the Clock
1:00 Jack LaLanne Show
1:30 The Flying Nun
2:00 Flipper
2:30 Tennessee Tuxedo
3:00 Porky Pig
3:30 Bugs Bunny
4:00 The Three Stooges
4:30 F Troop
5:00 McHale's Navy
5:30 Andy Griffith
6:00 Beverly Hillbillies
7:30 Wild, Wild West
8:30 The Bold Ones
9:30 The Saint
10:30 The Three Stooges
11:00 The Eleven O'Clock Movie
A.M.
12:30 Late News

Saturday**

A.M.
10:55 Early News
11:00 Beat the Clock
11:30 Roller Derby
P.M.
1:00 Wrestling
2:00 Soul Train
3:00 Saturday Matinee
4:30 Wildlife Theatre
5:00 Daktari
6:00 Century Cinema
8:00 Saturday Showcase
10:00 Ten O'Clock Movie
11:30 Saturday Festival
A.M.
12:00 Faith For Today
12:30 Late News
Sunday

A.M.
7:55 Early News
8:00 Mass. Council of Rabbis
8:30 Porky Pig
9:00 Bugs Bunny
9:30 Gulliver
10:00 Huck Finn
10:30 Mr. Magoo
11:00 The Three Stooges

11:30 The Addams Family
P.M.
12:00 Builders Showcase
12:30 Bruins Highlights
1:00 Right On!
1:30 Sunday Matinee

3:00 Wagon Train
4:30 Comedy Festival
6:30 The Bold Ones
8:00 Daniel Boone
9:00 The Saint
10:00 Ask The Manager
10:30 The Drum
11:00 Human Dimensions
11:30 Worship for Shut-Ins
12:00 Late News

Schedule for Ch. 56, Boston Monday-Friday**

A.M.
11:00 New Zoo Revue
P.M.
11:30 Bullwinkle
12:30 Dialing for Dollars
2:30 Huck & Yogi
3:00 Speed Racer
3:30 Batman
4:00 Little Rascals
4:30 Flintstones I
5:00 Flintstones II
5:30 Gilligan's Island
7:30 Night Gallery

8:00 Dragnet
8:30 Night Gallery
9:00 Movie 56
11:00 Movie

Saturday**

A.M.
9:00 Words & Music
9:30 Kathryn Kuhlman

10:00 This Week In Pro Football
11:00 Wrestling
12:00 Adventure Theater

P.M.
2:00 Matinee
4:00 Outer Limits
5:00 HeeHaw
7:30 Night Gallery
8:00 Little Rascals
8:30 Flintstones
9:00 Movie 56
11:00 Lou Gordon Program

A.M.
7:30 Kimba
8:00 Huckleberry Hound
8:30 Batman
9:00 Little Rascals
9:30 Speed Racer
10:00 Flintstones I

10:30 Flintstones II
11:00 Little Rascals
11:30 Gilligan's Island

12:00 Sunday Matinee

P.M.
2:00 Movie
4:00 Big Movie
5:30 Movie
7:30 Edward G. Robinson Showcase

9:30 Point of View
10:00 People Power
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11:00 Night Gallery II

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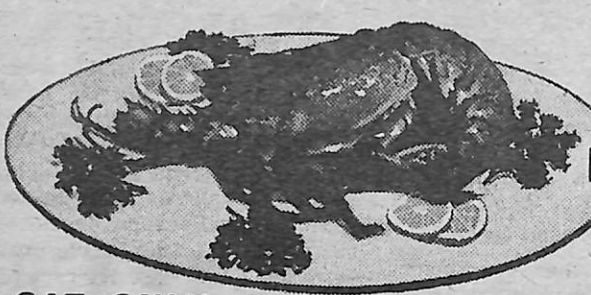
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Beginner Band Bursting

Two hundred and forty grade four and five students have chosen a musical instrument and are now receiving instruction in Agawam's six elementary schools. "We are DOUBLE any previous years' registration," said Mrs. Sally Lowell, elementary instrumental instructor. "Pupils in this years' classes seem more enthusiastic than ever to learn to play their instrument as quickly as possible. They even want to play Jingle Bells before Thanksgiving!" she laughed. The 25 beginning string students compose a complete orchestra now, as they have chosen not only violin, but viola, cello, and double bass for their school lessons. Mrs. Dorothy Heggarty, string instructor, now teaches classes in the Middle, Junior, and Senior High as former string players are continuing their studies toward their hopes of a school orchestra in the near future.

Asked what Mrs. Lowell thought had snowballed this "Learning to Play a Musical Instrument" bonanza, she cited the Senior High band — it's Philadelphia and New York trips this fall, and the Marching Mara-

thon around the town as tremendous exposure to the fun and achievements possible in instrumental music. More recently, the Junior High band received many compliments on its "Dedication" performance.

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"One third of this year's registrations are 'family repeaters,' each member having taken up a different instrument. Family bands and orchestras in Agawam should be springing up shortly." Mrs. Lowell praised the parents who have rented over 200 new instruments from music stores locally, — especially flutes, clarinets, trumpets, trombones, and violins. "A shiny, easy to play instrument, always promotes more desire to learn."

Last year, 75% of instrumental beginners continued their school class lessons after the four month trial period. It is hoped that we will "top" this figure in the coming year.

BAPTIST CHURCH FAIR

The Agawam Baptist Church will sponsor their annual Jingle Valley Fair at the church, 760 Main St., on Saturday, Nov. 17 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

A large variety of handmade items, knitted, crocheted, and handpainted will be available on the Center Gift Table. The Elf Table is especially for children with gift items priced from \$1 down. Handmade Christmas ornaments and decorations will be featured on the Ornament Table. There will also be an Apron Table and a White Elephant Corner. Special homemade cakes, pies, and bread will be available at the Food Table. Featured at the Candy Booth will be homemade fudge and candy novelties made by the members of the church.

A Snack Bar will be operated by the BYF young people from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. From 5 till 6 a Rigatoni and meat sauce supper will be served

LOCAL MAN TREAS. PKG. MACHINERY

EAST LONGMEADOW, Mass.: Alexander G. Toczko of Agawam, Mass., was elected treasurer of Package Machinery Company at the September meeting of the board of directors.

Mr. Toczko joined the financial division of Package Machinery Company in 1953 and was promoted to controller in 1965. As treasurer, he reports directly to Roger L. Putnam, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer.

He completed an advanced managers program at Harvard in 1971 and in 1962 Mr. Toczko received an MBA degree from Western New England College where in 1957 he received a BA in business administration. He also holds an ABA degree in business administration with management major from Nichols College in 1948.

Mr. Toczko has resided in Agawam the past 24 years with his wife Mildred. They have four children.

Salvation Army Xmas Appeal

Christmas is coming, perhaps faster than you might wish. A visit to shopping centers and department stores will prove this as one will find Christmas decorations and merchandise everywhere attractively displayed.

For The Salvation Army, Christmas started several months ago with the first planning stages for the 1973 Christmas Mail Appeal, that special annual drive to make Christmas gifts and dinners available to more than 150,000 men, women, and children in Massachusetts.

To speed up the distribution of contributed funds and eliminate the problems caused by duplicate appeals, Salvation Army officials have moved to a central return address for each county. Mail will be picked up, processed and the checks deposited in banks

much sooner than ever before, thus making the money available to Salvation Army units quicker than other years. This will also enable us to help a greater number of people than before.

Another by-product of the modernization is that reminders need not be sent to those who have already contributed, a very important cost cutting factor.

Salvation Army state leader, Brigadier Maro Smith, has noted that costs this year are higher than ever before and a preliminary analysis seems to indicate that there will be more people with more needs than ever before coming to The Salvation Army for help with Thanksgiving and Christmas plans. "We must turn once again to the citizens of Massachusetts for the dollars we need for the job," Brigadier Smith said.

Catholic Women's Club Supper

The Catholic Women's Club of Agawam will have its annual communion supper for members and guests Nov. 19 in the social hall of St. John the Evangelist Church, Main Street.

The supper will immediately follow the celebration of mass at 6:30 p.m. in the church. A smorgasbord supper will be catered at 7:30 p.m. and persons who cannot attend the mass may attend the supper.

Sister Miriam Najimy, program director of the Marian Retreat Center in Holyoke for the past five years, will be the guest speaker. Sister is a native of Pittsfield and attended Pittsfield schools. She has been a member of the Society of the Daughters of the Heart of Mary, a papal religious congregation for the past 13 years.

Mrs. Philip DeForge is communion supper chairman

"Every Child Owns a Book"

Agawam Junior Women's Club Education Chairman Mrs. Joan Cavallo announces that she is collecting books for the "Every Child Owns a Book" program. Anyone wishing to donate children's books in good condition may place them in collection boxes located in the town libraries. Mrs. Cavallo hopes to distribute the books to school libraries and needy children in the area during Children's Book Week, November 19-23.

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SPAN Center New Program

SPAN Center will begin a new program this month for teenagers, a Tuesday evening Alternative High Program to start Nov. 13.

The program is an effort by the SPAN staff to provide alternatives to drug abuse. The staff

at SPAN believes that there are many satisfying alternative experiences, designed to heighten awareness that are more personally rewarding than having chemicals flowing through the bloodstream. Some of the ways include yoga,

meditation, movement and dance, guided fantasy, music, sensory awareness and self-expression through art.

In addition to the Tuesday night program for youth, SPAN plans to conduct various workshops in these areas of creativity in the future on an on-going basis utilizing not only trained staff, but also community resource people with expertise in these areas.

The Tuesday evening Alternative High Program will run from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. It is open to all interested teenagers in the Agawam-Feeding Hills area.

Sacred Heart Bazaar

Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills will hold its fifth annual bazaar Friday, November 16 from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 17 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. "Christmas Village" will be the theme again this year, and the chairmanship is shared jointly by the executive board of the Rosary Altar Society.

Children will be interested in the Penny Pitch Booth as well as the Kiddie Korner where inexpensive items are geared for them. The Candy Booth and the

Toy Booth will delight both young and old. Adults are sure to love the Country Store which has become a tradition with its handcrafts, aprons, decoupage, and homemade jams. Other booths are Holiday Decorations, Food and Baked Goods, White Elephant Booth, and the Jewelry Booth. A new booth has been added this year — The Raggedy Ann and Andy Booth featuring beautiful handmade dolls. And of course refreshments will be served throughout the bazaar.

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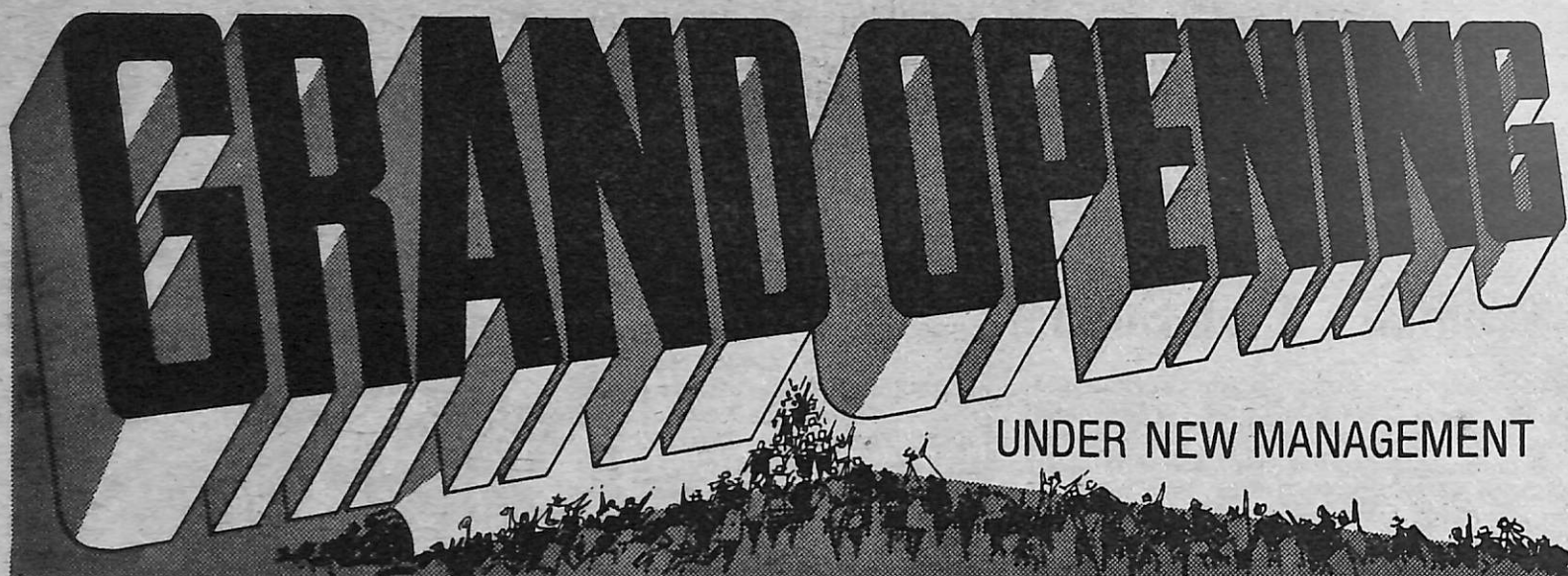
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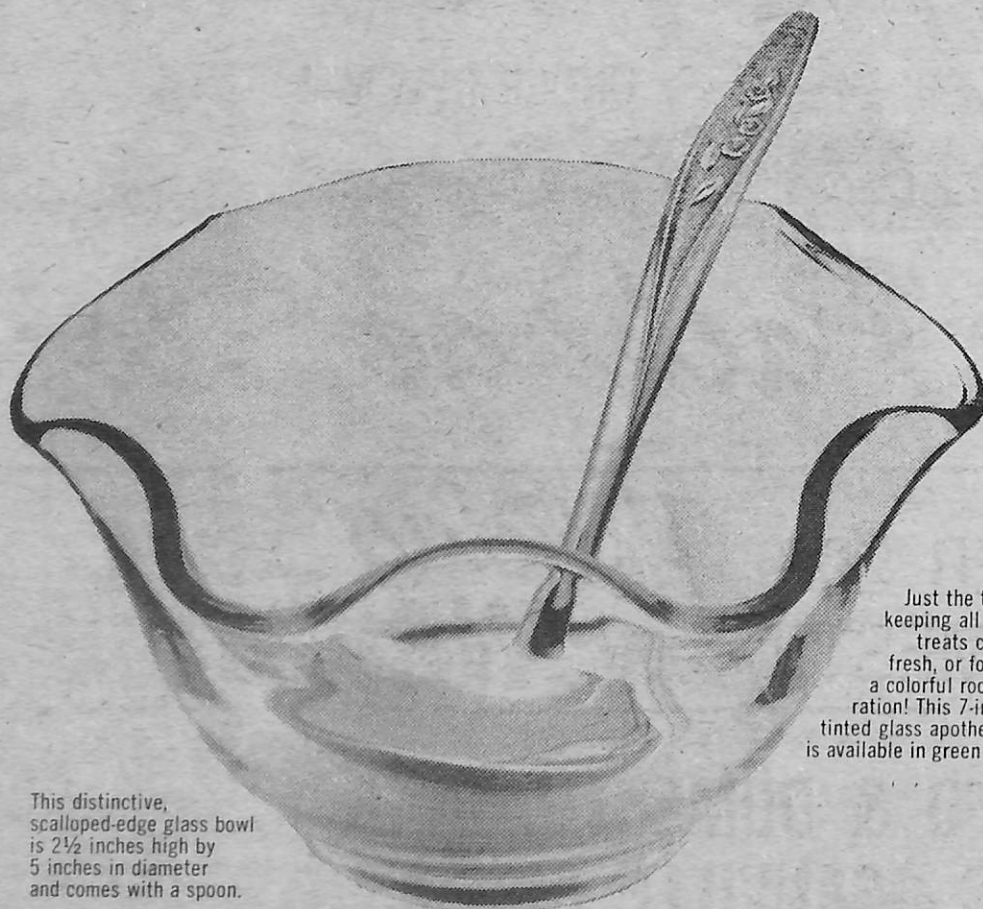
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